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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk/Executive Director
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, SC 29210

**Re: The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and Related Grants and Loans Made Available to Electric, Natural Gas, Water, and Wastewater Public Utilities for Utility Infrastructure Improvements
Docket Number: 2022-168-A**

Letter in Support of Petition and Procedural Schedule

Dear Ms. Boyd:

On May 9, 2022, the Office of Regulatory Staff (“ORS”) filed a Petition requesting the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the “Commission”) open an administrative docket regarding the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (“IIJA”) and related grants and loans made available to electric, natural gas, water, and wastewater public utilities for infrastructure improvements. ORS has requested the Commission establish a procedural schedule and require utilities under its jurisdiction to provide comments and information regarding the IIJA funds, whether and how those benefits should be employed by utilities in South Carolina, and each utility’s plan to avail itself of those benefits.

On June 6, 2022, ORS filed a letter requesting that the Commission issue an order requiring utilities to file written comments no later than July 15, 2022 and any reply comments no later than August 15, 2022. Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (the “Companies”) are supportive of ORS’s Petition and the proposed schedule for comments. The Companies look forward to providing information in this docket.

By copy of this letter, I am serving all parties of record via electronic mail.

Sincerely,

Katie M. Brown

cc: Parties of record